

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: "Safety Harness"

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Group Art Unit 3634

Examiner: Alvin Chin-Shue

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RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION - AMENDMENTS

Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action of July 13, 2001. A shortened statutory period for Response to the Office Action was set to expire three months from the date of the letter, making a Response due on or before October 13, 2001. Sine October 15, 2001 falls on a Saturday, the due date for response is October 15, 2001. Please amend the application presently on file as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (twice amended) A safety harness, comprising:

a body harness assembly positionable on a user's body, the body harness assembly comprising a left shoulder strap and a right shoulder strap, said shoulder straps crossing in [the] <u>a</u> back <u>side of the body harness</u>, while sliding through a lanyard securing member;

a resilient suspender assembly having a first branch and a second branch, a front end of the first branch being fixedly attached to the left shoulder strap, a front end of the